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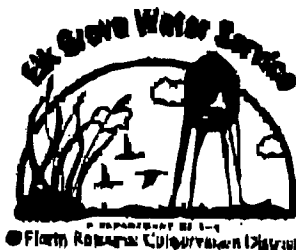
July 28, 2003

The Honorable Ken Calvert, Chair
House Water and Power Subcommittee
1522 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
Via Fax: 202.226.6953 The Honorable Grace Napolitano, Ranking Member House Water and Power
Subcommittee 1522 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 Via fax:
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Re: Elk Grove Water Service support for HR 2828

Dear Chairman Calvert and Ranking Member Napolitano,

The Elk Grove Water Service (EGWS) is pleased to support your HR 2828, landmark bipartisan legislation to reauthorize the CALFED Bay-Delta
Program and address water challenges across the West.

The CALFED Program is still California's best chance to make long-term, statewide improvements to water supply and conveyance infrastructure while
restoring the environment and helping recover threatened species. In the EGWS area, CALFED's implementation will bring about day-to-day progress
on water reliability and water quality.

It is extremely important that the program be reauthorized this year and we appreciate your commitment to moving the process along. Intense
pressure continues to stress California's existing water resources, with focal points on the Colorado River, the Bay-Delta and the Klamath. The
CALFED Bay-Delta Program has been held up as the model for resolving conflicts in California and throughout the West where water issues are so
critical. The program, however, can never realize its potential without authorization and funding.

We applaud the concepts contained in HR 2828, which includes both an authorization of CALFED and a competitive grants program for projects like
desalination and water recycling. Moving forward with a grants program for desalination and recycling will complement the CALFED Program and
build upon the proven successes of these projects.

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance with passage of HR 2828. Thank you for your dedication to strengthening California's water
supplies.

Sincerely,

General Manager
Elk Grove Water Service a department of Florin Resource Conservation District